

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Canceled).

2. (Currently Amended) The elevator control device according to claim ~~[[1]]~~ 3, further comprising:

a switch connected in series with said electric double layer capacitor, that is turned on in response to an operating instruction from said drive control unit during normal operation and that isolates said electric double layer capacitor from said DC capacitor when operation is stopped.

3. (Currently Amended) ~~[[The]]~~ An elevator control device ~~according to claim 1,~~ further comprising:

a rectifier circuit that converts an AC voltage from an AC power source to a DC voltage;

a DC capacitor that smoothes ripples of said DC voltage;

an inverter that converts a smoothed DC voltage to an AC voltage of variable voltage and variable frequency;

a motor that is driven by said AC voltage that is output from said inverter to raise or lower a passenger cage;

a resistance chopper that is connected in parallel with said DC capacitor; and

a drive control unit that controls said inverter or controlling said resistance chopper such that said AC voltage of variable voltage and variable frequency is output in accordance with a speed instruction;

an electric double layer capacitor having an electrostatic capacitance that is substantially larger than that of said DC capacitor and that is connected in parallel with said DC capacitor, and capable of accumulating substantially all of a regenerated power from said motor;

a voltage detection unit that detects a terminal voltage of said electric double layer capacitor, and

an initial charging circuit connected in series with said electric double layer capacitor, and connected in parallel with said initial charging circuit including a switch and a resistance connected in parallel to each other,

said drive control unit employing a voltage in a vicinity of a rated voltage of a electric double layer capacitor as a drive voltage of a resistance chopper and operates and controls said resistance chopper when a terminal voltage detected by said voltage detection unit reaches a voltage in a vicinity of said rated voltage of said electric double layer capacitor, and

wherein said drive control unit charges charging said electric double layer capacitor while restricting a current during current passage from said AC power source by means of due to said resistance when said switch is turned off on commencement of current passage from said AC power source and that connects said electric double layer capacitor in parallel with said DC capacitor when said switch is turned on after a required time after commencement of passage of current by said AC power source.

4. (Currently Amended) The elevator control device according to claim ~~[[1]]~~ 3, further comprising:

a current breaking circuit connected in series with said electric double layer capacitor and that breaks an inflow of excess ~~[[a]]~~ current produced by a short-circuit fault of said DC capacitor or said inverter to said electric double layer capacitor.

5. (Canceled).

6. (Currently Amended) The elevator control device according to claim ~~[[1]]~~ 3, further comprising:

~~an electric double layer capacitor arranged so as to be capable of being connected in parallel with said DC capacitor and having an electrostatic capacitance that is substantially larger than said DC capacitor and that is capable of accumulating substantially all of a regenerated power from said motor and which, in which,~~ when said inverter is below a

prescribed switching frequency, said electric double layer capacitor substitutes for a voltage smoothing function of said DC capacitor by deletion of said DC capacitor; and

~~a voltage detection unit that detects a terminal voltage of said electric double layer capacitor,~~

~~wherein said drive control unit controls a resistance chopper~~ when said terminal voltage that is detected by said voltage detection unit reaches ~~[[a]]~~ the vicinity of ~~[[a]]~~ said rated voltage of said electric double layer capacitor, a voltage in the vicinity of said rated voltage of said electric double layer capacitor ~~constituting~~ constitutes said operating voltage of said resistance chopper.

7. - 16. (Canceled).